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Dear all,

I want to alert you to some legal developments concerning Oakland Maritime Support Services (OMSS) and AB Trucking, which share common ownership.

As you know, OMSS is the City of Oakland's contractor for maritime support services (including truck parking and services) at the former Oakland Army Base. Seeing as your agency staff

sometimes operate out of the "OT-411" trailer at OMSS, I thought you should be aware of what is happening.

Last Friday, Northern California River Watch filed a lawsuit against OMSS in the United States District Court for alleged violations of the Federal Clean Water Act on their property. I don't need to tell any of you that this is very serious business. The alleged violations include discharging "oil, grease, rinse water, soap residue, engine coolant, solvents, volatile organic compounds, heavy metals associated with vehicle fluids and storm water falling onto the maintenance area", along with "urine and other wastes" into storm drains which run directly into the San Francisco Bay.

AB Trucking, which shares common ownership with OMSS, is being sued by former employees for alleged violations of California Labor laws. A lawsuit in the Superior Court, Alameda County alleges AB Trucking failed to pay the minimum wage, did not provide compensation for all hours worked, did not abide by laws governing meal and rest periods, neglected to provide accurate itemized wage statements, and failed to pay all wages owed to an employee upon termination.

While these are all allegations, they are disturbing. Oakland deserves the highest environmental and workplace standards from our contractors.

The Federal Clean Water Act complaint is attached.

Doug

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